

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—That is a different matter. I know the question is mine, but the name is not mine (*Laughter*).

MR. SPEAKER.—If the name is not yours, it cannot be taken up. We will take it up tomorrow.

SRI M. P. PATIL.—I will not be here tomorrow. It will have to be postponed.

MR. SPEAKER.—Let us not waste time. It may be taken up some other day, with the correction made. I will see that the name is corrected and it will be taken up day after tomorrow.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Day after tomorrow is a holiday, Sir. Moreover, the time-limit as given by me is 1st October. The question will have to be taken before that date.

MR. SPEAKER.—It is not so, according to the reply. We will take it up day after tomorrow.

SRI M. P. PATIL.—It will have to be taken up some other day.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—All right, Sir. I put question No. 53.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Will it not go against the ruling of the Chair? You have to change your ruling every now and then (*Laughter*).

MR. SPEAKER.—Hon'ble Sri Channabasappa is right. But the ruling can be altered. Now that the Hon'ble Member says that it is his name, I would allow him to put the question today.

SRI G. ANNA RAO.—If every word uttered by the Chair is in the nature of ruling, Sir, it would be difficult to carry on the business of the House.

MR. SPEAKER.—It is not a ruling.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTION AND ANSWER

Closing of the Fair Price Depots in the State.

Q.—53. SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU (Cubbonpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that the fair price depots in the State are being closed from 1st October, 1957;

(b) whether they are aware of the dire consequences of such an action resulting in the rise of prices and inadequate supply of food stuffs, etc.;

(c) the alternative arrangements contemplated by the Government to avert such scarcity conditions and to keep down the prices?

A.—SRI M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) No.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of reply to (a).

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—On a previous occasion, Government was pleased to say that the identity cards would be issued. May I know if this is in pursuance of a Government Order that such identity cards should be issued to every family?

***SRI M. P. PATIL.**—Instructions are there that identity cards should be issued. That may have been introduced in some cases and not in others, as yet.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Are these identity cards akin to the ration cards that were issued previously?

SRI M. P. PATIL.—I cannot say at this stage.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Now that we have fair-price depots, will the Government say whether it is a permanent measure or there is time-limit for these depots?

SRI M. P. PATIL.—It has never been stated that it is a permanent measure. As long as the emergency continues, the depots will continue.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Is there any proposal to create a separate department to run the fair-price depots, Sir?

SRI M. P. PATIL.—There is a separate department for food.

SRI V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Last time, the Minister was pleased to say that there was self-sufficiency as far as the southern zone was concerned. That is, with the excess quantities that are available in Andhra, the southern zone would be self-sufficient. Has the Government taken into consideration the scarcity areas and conditions that prevail off and on in the southern zone?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—It has been stated that there is self-sufficiency in the southern zone in ordinary times.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Is it a fact that reserve stocks are to be maintained for about an year or so in the southern zone?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—The State Government does not reserve any stock. It is the Government of India which keep the stocks.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Has the Government thought of any measures to control rise in prices?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—The present method is the method to control prices.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Can the Government state the number of fair-price depots opened in the State and where they are situated?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—There are 770 depots, but I cannot say what is their number in every district or in particular places. If the Hon'ble Member wants it, I will furnish it afterwards.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Could Government tell me the policy they have adopted in the matter of starting these fair-price shops in several parts of the State?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—The Government of India allots quota for our State after discussion with us and that quota is distributed to various parts of the State according to the needs.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—My question is specific. Have you got any principles laid down which should guide Government in the matter of starting fair-price shops?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—According to the needs.

Sri G. ANNA RAO.—Is the need going to be determined by Government *suo motu* or on application by the people?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—The local officers examine the situation and relying upon the reports of the officers as well as of the people the Government decides what quota should be given to particular districts or to particular places.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Does this involve any element of subsidy and, if so, how much and how Government is going to meet that subsidy?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—These supplies are subsidised by the Government of India and there is no question of the State Government subsidising them.

Sri Y. MANJAYA S ETTY.—Is it a fact that many of the fair price shops are not functioning for want of proper supply?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—As a matter of fact, supplies are given to all the depots, but if any particular case of that nature is brought to my notice, I shall examine it. If a general question is asked, I cannot reply.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Is Government aware that prices are rising very high on account of the scarcity conditions prevalent in the State?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Not only prices are not rising very high but they are also steady.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Are representations made to the Government to open more fair-price shops in the scarcity areas?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Yes, representations are made and they will be considered in due course.

Sri K. P. GADAG.—What are the measures taken by the Government to keep down prices?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I have already replied that prices can be kept down by the present method of opening fair price shops.

Sri C. K. RAJIAH SETTY.—Has the Government of India maintained any stock depots in Mysore State?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Yes.

Sri T. TARE GOWDA.—Have they opened any fair-price depots in rural parts also?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—They have been opened in rural as well as urban parts.

Sri T. TARE GOWDA.—May I know the number of such depots opened in rural parts?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I am sorry. I am not in a position to give the number now.

Sri M. RAVAPPA.—For how many more years do Government propose to run these depots?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I have already replied that there was no question of day or month or year. They will continue as long as there is emergency and as

long as they are required to be continued.

Sri M. RAMAPPA.—Is this Government assured of proper quota by the Central Government?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—It would have been better if the Hon'ble Member had asked a direct question. The fact is that the Government of India has informed the State Government that they will stop the supplies from 1st October. We represented very strongly that in that case there would be an emergency in our State and that that would not be desirable and that therefore they should continue the supplies. Afterwards, we have received letters from the Government of India assuring us of supplies on certain conditions. Those conditions are to be discussed. I am going to Hyderabad on 29th where Sri Jain is coming and we are going to discuss this question.

Sri F. H. MOHSIN.—Is the Government aware that the northern Karnatak people are used to jowar only?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That is a different question. This question has been asked on a prior occasion and the Hon'ble Minister has replied to it.

Sri F. H. MOHSIN.—May I know how much stock is available for distribution to the fair-price shops?

Sri M. P. PATIL.—I am not in a position to say because the godowns are run by the Central Government.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪಿ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಮೈಸೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆ ಹೊಳೆಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಟೂರ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಂಡು ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ದವಸ ಧಾನ್ಯವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರಿಗೆ ವರದಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹನುಮಂತಯ್ಯ.—ಈಗ ಕೇಳುತ್ತಿರುವ ಈ ತರಹದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಳಿದರೆ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಅಭಾವ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯು ಮನೋವೃತ್ತಿಯು ಉಂಟಾಗಿ ಮತ್ತಷ್ಟು ಅಭಾವ ಉಂಟಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ಹಾಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಉಂಟಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ಎಂದು ನಾನು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಕೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Sri M. P. PATIL.—If the question is going to create such a situation, it is for the Hon'ble Member to consider and not for me.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ.—ಅಕ್ಕೋಟಿ ಒಂದನೇ ತಾರೀಖಿನಿಂದ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ಸಫ್ತೆ ಮಾಮು ವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ರೇಷು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ಎಂಬುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪಿ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ರೇಷು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರಿಗೆ ನಾನು ಹೇಳಿ ಬಿಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಈಗ ಕೆಲವು ಕಾರಾರಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯನ್ನು ಸಫ್ತೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದನ್ನೇ ಬಳಸಿ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ನಾನು ಹೈದರಾಬಾದಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುವವನು ಇದ್ದೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ.—ಹೇಳಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ರೇಷು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ವರದಿ ಆಗಿದೆ. ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ರೇಷು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಆಗಲೇ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ.—ಅವರು ಕೇರಳ ಸ್ಟೇಟ್ ಡಿಪೋದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ರೇಷು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿರಬಹುದು. ಆದರೆ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ಧಾರಣೆ ಬಜಾರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಸ್ತಿ ಆಗಿದೆ.

Sri M. P. PATIL.—Perhaps the Hon'ble Member might have purchased very fine rice.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ.—ಅಕ್ಕೋಟಿ ಒಂದನೇ ತಾರೀಖಿನಿಂದ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ಸಫ್ತೆ ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂಬ ಕಾರಣದ ಮೂಲಕ ಅಕ್ಕಿಯ ಧಾರಣೆಯು ಪಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಆಗಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. The question time is over.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Villages to be merged in Bangalore Corporation Area.

Q.—347. Sri K. V. BYRE COWDA (Bangalore North).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of revenue villages and their names around the Corporation limits of Bangalore that are shown to be absorbed into the limits of the Corporation according to greater Bangalore Scheme;

(b) the difficulties that are in their way in absorbing into Corporation limits the bordering villages like Ramachandrapura Dhakle of Ketamaranahalli, Yeswantapur and Yedyur, Nagasandra, etc.?

A.—Sri R. CHENNIGARAMIAH (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(a) Vide Statement appended.

(b) The matter is under consideration.